In the claims:

Please cancel claims 126 through 130 without prejudice

Please amend the following claim as follows:

vertebrate's germ cells, [comprising] containing the component(s) of a transfection mixture, [said transfection mixture] comprising at least one transfecting agent, and optionally a genetic selection marker, whereby said kit may be used to transfect [and store] said germ cells [in a viable condition].

Request is made for correction of inventorship under 37 C.F.R. §1.48(b), deleting the name of OUTI HOVATTA.

Request has also been made to the Application Processing Division's Customer Correction Branch to place Carol W. Readhead, Pasadena, CA as the first inventor, followed by Robert Winston, London, United Kingdom, as they appeared on the cover page of the application filed November 13, 1998.